

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Date & place of birth: March 31, 1979, Veghel, the Netherlands

### EDUCATION

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- 2009 – present      PhD Researcher (Supervisors: prof. dr. Valentina Mazzucato & dr. Bilisuma Dito)  
Maastricht University, Maastricht  
PhD Thesis *'Living Apart Together Across Borders: How Ghanaian couples form, transform, or dissolve in the context of international migration'*
- 2007 – 2009      Research Master Social and Cultural Sciences – Master Degree (*cum laude*)  
Radboud University, Nijmegen  
Master Thesis: *'Reconciliation, Remittances, and Conflict Strategies. Results from Survey Research and Experimental Gaming in Huye District, Rwanda.'* (Best Thesis Award Research Master Social and Cultural Sciences)
- 2004 – 2007      Cultural Anthropology and Development Studies - Bachelor Degree  
Radboud University, Nijmegen  
Bachelor Thesis: *"'Never Make Noise": The likelihood of collective action at the VREL banana plantation, Ghana.'*
- 2000 – 2004      Social Work - Bachelor Degree  
Avans Hogeschool, 's-Hertogenbosch  
Internships Social Work:  
2004      Limerick Youth Service, Limerick, Ireland: social worker  
2002 - 2003      Stibula (Organization for Youth Work in Latour),  
Paramaribo, Suriname: youth worker  
2000 – 2003      Social Work for various organizations in 's-Hertogenbosch  
and surroundings

### WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2014 – present      Post-doctoral researcher  
Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI), Den Haag  
Families of Migrant Origin – a life course perspective (FamLife) project
- 2009 – 2014      PhD researcher, Maastricht University  
Conducted quantitative research on the effects of international migration on family life of Ghanaians. Carried out a survey for the MAFE-Ghana project in the Netherlands, which included data collection, supervision of interviewers, data

cleaning, liaised with project leader, participated in international project meetings, collaborated for joint publications for the MAFE-project. Additionally, presented papers at international conferences and carried out qualitative interviews in Ghana during a three-month fieldwork period.

2007 – 2009 Student Assistant, Radboud University, Nijmegen (CIDIN)  
Research assistant: carrying out quantitative analyses for two research projects: *'The support basis of International Development in the Netherlands'*, and *'Remigration Study'*.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### *Course development, coordination and teaching:*

Master Globalization & Development Studies, Maastricht University:

2011 - 2013 Research Methods  
2011 – 2013 Research in Practice

### *Teaching:*

Master Globalization & Development Studies, Maastricht University:

2011 – 2013 MA Thesis Supervision (3 students)

University College Maastricht, Maastricht University:

2010 – 2012 Globalization & Inequality  
2010 – 2013 BA Thesis Supervision (5 students)

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, European Studies, Maastricht University:

2010 – 2011 BA Thesis Supervision (24 students)

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Bachelor Arts & Culture, Maastricht University:

2009 - 2010 Academic Research & Writing

Research Master Social Cultural Sciences, Radboud University Nijmegen:

2008 – 2009 Quantitative Development Policy Analysis (teaching assistant)

Bachelor Development Studies, Radboud University Nijmegen:

2008 – 2009 Development: Analysis & Policy (teaching assistant)  
2008 - 2009 Introduction Development Studies (teaching assistant)  
2008 - 2009 Project Planning (teaching assistant)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### **Journal articles:**

Caarls, K., Fransen, S. & Ruben, R. (2012). Can Migratory Contacts and Remittances Contribute to Reconciliation and Reconstruction in Rwanda? *International Migration*, 51(s1), e98-e117.

Beauchemin, C., Nappa, J., Schoumaker, B., Baizan, P., González-Ferrer, A., Caarls, K. & Mazzucato, V. (2014). Reunifying versus Living Apart Together Across Borders: A Comparative Analysis of Sub-Saharan

- Migration to Europe. *International Migration Review*, doi: 10.1111/imre.12155.
- Mazzucato, V., Schans, D., Caarls, K. & Beauchemin, C. (2014). Transnational families between Africa and Europe. *International Migration Review*, doi: 10.1111/imre.12153.
- Caarls, K. & Mazzucato, V. (in press). Does International Migration Lead to Divorce? Ghanaian Couples in Ghana and Abroad. *Population-E*.
- Caarls, K. & Mazzucato, V. (2014). Transnational marriages and reunification: Ghanaian couples between Ghana and Europe. *Demographic Research*. Manuscript submitted for publication.
- Caarls, K. & De Valk, H. (2014). Relational trajectories and living arrangements among Ghanaians: the role of international migration. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. Manuscript submitted for publication.

#### **Book Chapters:**

- Beauchemin, C., Caarls, K., Nappa, J., Mazzucato, V., Schoumaker, B., and Mangalu, J. (in press). Migration and Family Life between Congo and Europe. In: Beauchemin, C. (Ed.). *Migration between Africa and Europe*. New York: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.
- Beauchemin, C., Caarls, K., and Mazzucato, V. (in press). Senegalese migrants between here and there: An overview of family patterns. In: Beauchemin, C. (Ed.). *Migration between Africa and Europe*. New York: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.
- Caarls, K., Schans, D., Mazzucato, V., Quartey, P., and Tagoe, C.A. (in press). Transnational families between Ghana, the Netherlands and the UK. In: Beauchemin, C. (Ed.). *Migration between Africa and Europe*. New York: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.
- Mazzucato, V., Schans, D., Caarls, K., and Beauchemin, C. (in press). Migrant families between Africa and Europe: Comparing Ghanaian, Congolese and Senegalese Migration Flows. In: Beauchemin, C. (Ed.). *Migration between Africa and Europe*. New York: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.

#### **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

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- Caarls, K. & Mazzucato, V. *Does International Migration Lead to More Divorce? Ghanaian Couples in Ghana and Abroad*. Paper presented at:
- December 12-14, 2012: **MAfE Final Conference “Comparative and multi-sited approaches to migration”**, INED, Paris.
  - November 22, 2012: **INED Seminar**, Research Unit “International migrations and minorities”, Paris
  - November 20, 2012: **Dutch Demographers day**, Utrecht University, Utrecht
  - August 28-29, 2012: **IMISCOE Conference**, University of Amsterdam. Organized, with Valentina Mazzucato & Miranda Poeze, a panel session (3 sessions): *“Transnational Family Care Practices: Methodological challenges for studying relationships through time and space”*.
  - November 23-25, 2011: **MAFE-project Meeting**. Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain
  - June 16-18, 2010: **Changing Families in a Changing World**. Centre for Research on Families and Relationships (CRFR), Edinburgh, U.K.

- Caarls, K. & Mazzucato, V. *Transnational Family ties between Africa and Europe. Ghanaians in the Netherlands and the U.K., and their left-behind families in Ghana*. Paper presented at:

June 25-26, 2012: **CERES Summerschool.** University of Amsterdam. Organized & chaired a panel session (2 sessions): “*Transnational migrants’ experiences: beyond the migration & development nexus*”.

Fransen, S., Caarls, K. & De Hoop, T. *The Economic Determinants of Reconciliation in Rwanda.* Paper presented at:

June 28-30, 2010: **Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference,** Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

March 1, 2010: **International Economic Seminar.** Deutsche Institute für Wirtschaftsforschung (DIW), Berlin, Germany.

Caarls, K., Fransen, S. & Ruben, R. *Reconstruction and Reconciliation in Rwanda: The Role of Migratory Contacts and Remittances.* Paper presented at:

February 18-20, 2010: **Migration: a World in Motion.** University of Maastricht, Maastricht, The Netherlands.

November 18-20, 2009: **Migration and Globalization: Current Challenges and Future Stakes.** Institute for Population, Development and Reproductive Health (IPDSR) of the Université Cheikh Anta Diop (UCAD) in association with International Organisation for Migration (IOM), Dakar, Senegal.

July 2-3, 2009: **CERES Summer School, Development Research & Policy Practice,** Centre for International Development Issues Nijmegen (CIDIN), Radboud University, Nijmegen.

#### **TRAININGS/SKILLS/LANGUAGES**

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2011 Sequential Analysis Training, INED, Paris (France)

2010 Summer school: Duration Modeling, Essex University, Essex (UK)

2010 Courses: Basic Training Course (10 ECTS) & Presentation Skills (1 ECTS)  
CERES, Research School for Resource Studies for Development

2010 Time Management Course, Maastricht University

2010 Workshop: Migration and Economic Development: Insights from original data collection and fieldworks. Centro Studi Luca d’Agliano, Milan, Italy

2009 Event History Analysis Training, Maastricht University, Maastricht

2008 English: Academic Writing; French: Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) A1

Computer Skills: Proficient with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook) and the Apple iWorks suite.

Research software: Proficient with Stata (11.2), SPSS (20). Familiar with ATLAS.ti, EGO.net.

Professional membership: International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP), National Research school CERES, Dutch Association for Migration Research (DAMR), Nederlandse Vereniging voor Demografie (NVD)